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Mr. Stephen Tzhone  
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1445 Ross Avenue  
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Re: Bi-Monthly Progress Report, R&H Oil/Tropicana Energy Site, San Antonio, Texas

Dear Mr. Tzhone:

Pursuant to Section IX, Paragraph 37 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (Settlement Agreement) for the above-referenced Site, Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW) has prepared this bi-monthly progress report on behalf of the Respondents named in the Settlement Agreement. In accordance with the Settlement Agreement requirements, this progress report addresses the topics listed below:

1. Actions which have been taken to comply with the Settlement Agreement during the preceding two-month period – The following actions were taken during the previous two-month period:
  - Per EPA request, subsurface investigation activities were performed at the former MG Materials property located north of the Site at 227 New Laredo Highway during the period of December 7 – 9, 2016. Soil borings were advanced at the property to screen for the presence of volatile organic compounds (VOCs) using a photoionization detector (PID). An additional monitoring well was installed at the 227 New Laredo Highway location. In addition, two monitoring wells were installed at the R&H Oil Site, one located off-site on West Harlan Avenue, and one located on-site adjacent to existing well MW-6.
  - The new monitoring wells described above (MW-28, MW-29, and MW-30) were sampled on December 10, 2015. Two existing wells, MW-25 and MW-6 were also sampled as part of this event. Samples were analyzed for VOCs.
2. Quality-assured results of sampling, tests and all other quality-assured data received by Respondents during the preceding two-month period – Groundwater data collected during the December 2015 sampling event have been received and validated. A data CD containing the updated project data base, validation report, and laboratory data report, is included with the hard copy transmittal of this report.

3. Work planned for next two months with schedules relating such Work to the overall project schedule for RI/FS completion – The following work is planned for the next two months:
  - The final Baseline Human Health Risk Assessment (BHHRA) is anticipated to be submitted within the next two months.
  - The Remedial Investigation report is currently in preparation.
4. Problems encountered, anticipated problems, actual or anticipated delays, and solutions developed and implemented to address any actual or anticipated problems or delays – No problems or delays were encountered or anticipated during the preceding two-month period.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this progress report. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Attachments on included data CD-  
Laboratory Data Package 600-123040  
Data Validation Report for Laboratory Data Packages 600-123040  
Updated Project Data Database

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